

John G. Nattinger.

He came to Ottawa when about thirty-seven years old, recently married and fresh in business experience. He here began as a merchant, having his store east of the Court House.

The religious element in him, early developed and strengthened by parents who came from Germany with him when he was nine years old, shielded him in the slippery ways of youth, and kept him unscathed by the vices which taint, or corrupt, or undermine and destroy, many young men. Of the early domestic training we know little. But there is a sweet suggestion of remembered obligations, when, not long since, his children, going to the cemetery with flowers for their mother's grave, he said, "Place some for me on that of my mother."

Without going far from the traditional faith, his sense of the fitness of things sufficed to furnish him a principle of life. On that he based his belief in the Divine revelation. It enforced moral obligation and duty; especially rightness of conduct, i. e. righteousness.

He was a man of self control, as respects habits of life; temperate, abstemious. Also as respects temper and conduct in relation to others.

As an officer in the church, invested with the honors and responsibilities of deacon in 1845, he was in no common degree consistent, vigilant for his interests, devoted in personal service, and in pecuniary gifts; watchful of his honor, and careful and sympathetic of his members. Always respected for good intention, always characterized by a unique devotedness. In business, persistency in aim and effort has been his characteristic; also economy and frugality, while patience, industry and sobriety have never been wanting.

He allied himself with the best people; the low, the common, and the vulgar, finding nothing congenial in him, never sought his company. He thus escaped a corrupting power. He seemingly had no personal ambitions of the common sort: no pride of appearance or equipage; no hankering for notoriety; no thirst for public recognition; no greed of office. Yet he was by no means indifferent to a well grounded popular esteem and appreciated a merited compliment. He was courteous, without courtliness; and kind, without a patronizing air. He was just but not oppressive; scrupulous, yet not offensive. Always interested in public welfare, he was liberal in the cause of education and generous in aid of good order, morality and genuine religion.

He was fortunate in marriage. He chose the excellent and useful wives, and had some ability to appreciate their goodness, and to profit by their virtues. As might be expected, as years came heavily upon him, good and kind children vied with each other in ministries of patient love and generous aid. He was tenderly cared for, honored and, so far as possible, indulged and gratified in every wish. His closing years have been dignified by a most amiable devotedness on their part, which was alike to his credit as a father, and to their good name. He has borne an unsullied name. He has lived benevolently. He has harmed no man, defrauded no man. He never was more glad than when he saw real genuine and enduring good come as the portion and allotment of his fellow men.

MR. BLANCHARD UNWILLING

To Enter Upon a Trial of the Moore Murder Case at Once.

Ford and O'Brien occupied their accustomed seats in the County Court room Monday morning, ready to hear what the court thought about the motion to call a special venire and try them for the murder of David Moore. It was expected that some decided action would be taken in the case and as a result the court room was crowded.

Mr. McDougall stated that he did not feel justified to enter into the trial of the case at present and gave several reasons. The extreme hot weather, he thought, would interfere materially with progress in the case, and, again, his health at present was not the very best and such a strain as would arise from excessive overwork on the trial might result seriously to himself. He thought that the prisoners should be given time to consult attorneys and prepare a defense, and this would be impossible were the trial to begin at once.

The court coincided with Mr. McDougall's remarks as to the extreme heat and the necessity of giving defendants ample time to prepare a defense. He thought it very foolish to call a special venire when farmers were so busy in the fields and the hot weather would make it very trying for all concerned, and in case a juror was to be taken sick the case must be tried over again. After reviewing all the circumstances attendant upon the trial, Judge Blanchard said he would hold the matter as it stands until the time comes to adjourn for the term, when it would be decided.

It is very probable that the case will not be tried until the October term.

OTTAWA ASSESSMENT.

How That of 1889 Compares With This Year—West Reports.

Chas. West, the Deer Park assessor, placed his books for 1890 in the hands of the county clerk at a late hour Saturday afternoon. The abstract of assessment had been printed before the return was made and, of course, the assessment for Deer Park is not given. The clerk had to get the report ready for Monday's meeting of the board and had no time to wait on this assessor. This difficulty arises nearly every year and the sooner it is remedied the better for all parties interested.

Ottawa's assessment for 1890 is much larger than that of last year. The assessed valuation on lands is \$163,605 or \$19.99 per acre, against \$156,095 and \$19.01 per acre for 1889. On lots it is \$679,067, against \$672,094 for last year; or \$179.45 to \$188.63 per lot. The assessed valuation on all personal property is \$463,977, against \$396,325 for 1890. Property in Bruce township is assessed much lower than last year, while in LaSalle it is considerably greater.

James Burke was fined \$5 and costs for vagrancy and in default of payment was sent to the county jail for ten days. John Tracy was released.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

The Cream of Whatever is New, Interesting or Spicy in our Neighboring Exchanges.

Chief of police Webb, of Rockford, who tried to commit suicide the other day by putting two bullets into his head, is still alive and likely to recover.

The population of Mendota township, according to the official figures in 1880 was 4573, and the enumerators this year give it a population of 4811, a gain of 238. Considering that Mendota within the last ten years has lost the organ factory and Lutheran Seminary, the town has held its own very well.

When a Kankakee census enumerator had stopped at a certain house in that city and listed all the family, on asking whether there were any more, the lady, suffusing slightly, replied hesitatingly, "Not now, but if you should call in a day or two—" He called, and marked down a bouncing boy.

The Reverend Madison C. Peters and his bride will visit Ottawa in July. He will be remembered by the readers of the *Express* as the boy preacher. Arrangements are being made with him to deliver a lecture while here.—*London Express*. "Boy preacher" is putting it rather strong, as Mr. P. was at least 25 years old.

J. B. Smiley, of Joliet, who for some time past has been connected with the *News* of that city, has severed his connection with that paper and thinks of starting in business on his own responsibility, hoping to win fame and fortune in the field of literature as a comic and poetic writer, in which direction he is certainly not without some gifts.

The man is a rarity these days of whom it can be said "there are no flies on him," for they are everywhere; but twenty drops of carbolic acid evaporated from a shovel, says an exchange, will banish them from a room quicker than all the sticky fly-paper in existence. A small piece of camphor gum held over a lamp till it is consumed, will also do the work well.

An eleven-year-old boy named Fowler, residing near Gay's carriage factory, met with a painful accident last Wednesday. While playing with several companions he was thrown violently to the ground, one of the boys falling on him, and his thigh was broken just above the knee. Drs. Butterfield and Trainer set the bones and the little fellow is slowly improving.

Lorenz Hintz, a well-known farmer residing two miles north of Hollowayville, while driving to Peru on Thursday in a double-seated buggy, accompanied by two ladies and a child, had an ugly runaway coming down the hill at Spring Creek. The buggy was upset and all thrown out, the ladies and child escaping with slight bruises, but Mr. H. himself being probably fatally hurt.

The *Tonica News* despairs of being able to equal its contemporaries in snake or fish stories, but challenges them to equal the following in the way of a hot weather printer's story: "Through the carelessness of one of our compositors a handful of type was left on the window sill in the fierce rays of the sun. When he went to pick it up a half an hour later, he found it melted and the lead dripping on the floor."

P. E. Low, a Morris printer who has been for some time connected with the *Morris News* as editor and publisher, has received a "call," says that journal, to become the editor of the *Laramie City* (Wyoming) daily and weekly *Boomerang*. The paper is thoroughly known throughout the United States, as it was made famous by Bill Nye, who was its founder. It is an 8-column daily and one of the leading papers of the state.

The little village of Triumph, in this county, had a sensation on Wednesday of last week in the suicide of Emanuel W. Bee, the village blacksmith, who ended his life by putting a bullet through his brain. The only cause given for the rash act is that Mr. B. had been suffering from intense pain in the breast and shoulders from which he could obtain no relief. He was 38 years old, and leaves a wife and five children.

The man Maxwell, alias Murray, the white man of the duet that committed the Decker murder and outrage at Morris a few weeks ago, has added his confession to that of the negro Williams, the two substantially agreeing in the main details of the crime, except, of course, that each alleges that the other inflicted the blows. Both acquit Mary Simpson of having had anything to do with the crime, though neither give any explanation of how they got on to the idea of a box full of money.

Jerry Wood, the whilom Ottawa miller, used to say the only reason why the LaSalle county farmers don't raise good crops of winter wheat is, that they are too lazy to give it proper attention. The LaSalle county farmers probably know better. Nevertheless, occasionally fine crops are raised in this county. Thus the *Tonica News*: "Squire Trout has cut his 15-acre field of winter wheat and says it is the best crop he has had for several years. He thinks it will thrash out over 30 bushels to the acre."

Justice in Peoria appears to have the bad habit of which the grangers complain against the railroads, of making "unjust discriminations." The other day a man named Rossman was put under bonds of \$200 by a Peoria justice to keep the peace toward his wife; but later, when the man tackled his mother-in-law, and she likewise sought to have him placed under bonds with respect to her, the justice flatly refused. Thus in the eyes of Peoria justice, it would seem, while the wife has rights the husband is bound to respect, the mother-in-law must take her chances.

Next to lead mining, the most important industry about Galena is herring pearls in Feber river and its tributaries. Four pearls found there were recently sold to a Chicago jeweler for \$400. It is estimated that the amount that will be realized by pearl hunters in that section between now and fall will aggregate \$125,000. The business of searching is being systematically carried on by experienced Scandinavian pearl hunters. Forty years ago there was a brief stir at Ottawa over pearls found in mussels in Fox and

Illinois rivers. They were, however, on examination by lapidaries, pronounced worthless.

O. B. Grant, of Marselles, has brought suit against F. M. Sapp, editor of the *Ottawa Republican*. The plaintiff is a justice of the peace, and brings suit to recover damages of \$5,000 for a libelous article concerning him.—*Streator Ind.-Times*. The article "concerned" him only as the mistake of a blundering reporter, who wrote the name of the justice instead of the man whom the justice was trying. The error was promptly corrected and suitably apologized for when discovered; yet the fact that the "Squire's" rage is unappeased might by malicious persons be construed as a trifle suspicious.

Mendota feels a just pride in the distinction gained by one of her daughters, Miss Sneed, in winning the Chicago *Herald* prize of a free trip to Europe, the *Bulletin* breaking out: "LaSalle county, the birthplace and home of so many intelligent women, has given evidence of the true worth of her children by the selection of Miss Bettie M. Sneed as the most popular teacher in the Chicago schools, having won the Chicago *Herald* first prize, which is a trip to Europe, with all expenses paid. Miss Sneed was formerly of Mendota, where she commenced her labors as a pedagogue. She sailed last Saturday from New York."

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week will be great gala days in Mendota, on account of the holding in that city of the second annual meeting of the State Fireman's Association. Companies are expected to be present from all parts of the state, many with their "machines," and the diversions will consist of a grand parade, a prize being awarded to the company making the best appearance; of machine contests, races, firemen's drills, etc. There will also be a band contest for a prize of \$75. Mendota has made extensive and expensive preparations for the occasion, and there is no doubt the show will be both grand and interesting.

The nearest celebration of Independence day this year, so far as any newspaper reports have yet seen go, was that at Tonica. The *News* says: "Independence Day in Tonica was celebrated by having a baby show. Little girls got all the babies in town and formed a procession, wheeled them in baby carriages through the principal streets during the early part of the forenoon. Following in the rear was a large number of still smaller girls with their dolls and doll buggies. It was a very pretty sight, and showed that the little folks had a speck of patriotic sentiment. Plenty of flags floated to the breeze, being about the only indication that it was our great national holiday."

Paper mills use up a great deal of water power and employ so few people that they add little to the population of a town, yet the following in regard to the new paper mill at Pontiac shows it must add considerable to the local business of the place. The *Free Trader* says: "The paper mill takes in straw at the rate of 20 tons per day. Two more boilers have been purchased and a rotary cooking boiler, which will add largely to the capacity of the mill. The mill turned out paper Tuesday at the rate of one ton per hour. With the new boilers and the cooker, and running day and night, it will be able to turn out from 25 to 30 tons every twenty-four hours. The paper is finding a ready market at \$21 to \$22 per ton."

Dr. Le Roy, of the *Streator Ind.-Times*, repels the charge of Deacon Sapp, of the *Ottawa Republican*, that he attempted to read the young Democratic leader, J. H. Eckels, out of the party. "For high on to a hundred years," says the indignant Doctor, "instead of reading out, we have labored to read people into the Democratic party." He admits that he may have faulted Mr. E. "for the crime, like the younger Pitt, of being a young man, but a sound Democrat reads no man out of the party, but, on the contrary, keeps the door of the Democratic church open to receive all sinners who are convinced of the errors of their ways and desire to flee from political wrath that is sure to come."

Alderman Fogarty, of Streator, had a narrow escape from drowning at Deer Park on Thursday. Undertaking to cross the river, the *Monitor* says, the boat being in charge of that old sea dog Barney Keating, a high sea running at the time, the latter lost control of the bark and the alderman was thrown out. Mr. Fogarty himself is a sailor of considerable skill, having for five years navigated the treacherous crossings and sewers of Streator in the capacity of a street commissioner, but never "in all the course of his municipal experience had he encountered such a state of affairs." He has a good case for damages against Barney, but he will probably "inquire of our city attorney what the law is in such cases" before taking action.

Says the Grand Ridge *Herald*: A fine lot of Joliet flag stone are on the ground for some substantial sidewalks and crossings in this little city. The attention of non-residents is called to the fact that what Grand Ridge does she does well, and the substantial improvements going right along speaks volumes for the people and town. A car load of lumber has also been ordered especially for sidewalks, and ere another year rolls round we will have as fine residences and as good streets as many towns three times as large. Joliet flag stone make a tolerably decent walk if properly dressed and bush-hammered, but a man who will torture people by compelling them to walk on undressed flags, such as are commonly put down for sidewalks, ought to be kicked. Plank sidewalks are the most comfortable, and also, considering the short time they last, the most expensive. The best sidewalk material for the money yet discovered is the square sidewalk brick.

The Baptist church in the pious town of Polo is all torn up on account of a small pan of cherries. It was at last halcyon season when cherries were ripe that a good sister went over to another who had cherries in her yard and asked permission to pick a small pan of them. The request was refused, the other sister saying she hadn't enough for her own use. But a few days later the preacher's wife made the same request and the cherries were cheerfully given. Then Sister No. 1 was indignant. She carried the matter into the next session, and from there it got into the church and

there all Christian forbearance seemed to be forgotten. At this point the pastor, Mr. Edie, drew the line. He said he would not remain with a church that would quarrel over a pan of cherries, but resigned at once, and went to Chicago, where he is now preaching, and the church has been closed for several months.

An Atlanta Lady's Sad Condition.

"About two years ago a sore came on my nose. I called in a physician who could arrest it only for a few days, when it would appear as bad as ever. Finally it became permanent, and despite the constant attention of several physicians it continued to grow worse, the discharge from the ulcer being exceedingly offensive. This was my condition when I commenced to take Swift's Specific (S. S. S.) about one month ago, but I am now happy to say that after taking four large bottles of your wonderful medicine my nose is entirely well, and my general health better than it has been in ten years."

Mrs. LUCINDA RUSH, Atlanta, Ga. Swift's Specific (S. S. S.) cured me of a blood taint that had troubled me for years. I consider it without an equal.

JAMES SHERWOOD, Nashville, Ill. Treatise on Blood and Skin Diseases mailed free. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

A man named Cook was assaulted by a gang of toughs on LaSalle street, near the canal bridge, last Thursday night. He was on his way to Lucy's boarding house and was carrying a pail of beer which he had procured from a neighboring saloon. This was taken from him and the contents disposed of by the beer-thirsty villains. Cook was roughly hounded by the men whom he failed to recognize.

Michael McGarr, James Houlihan, and Martin Murphy, were arrested on suspicion and arraigned for trial before Police Magistrate Weeks Tuesday. Murphy proved an alibi and was discharged. McGarr and Houlihan were released on bail. The man who made the assault is still at large but will be caught in a few hours. McGarr and Houlihan were eye witnesses to the affair but took no part in the assault. The case was continued until Monday at 7 p. m.

Hentrich's band will furnish music at the race meeting next month. Chas. J. Hentrich goes to Chicago to-day to purchase new music.



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Suzerain, br. h. foaled Jan. 8, 1884, sired by Grand Sentinel 565, record 2:27 1/2, (sire of six in the 2:30 list) dam of Sentinel 561, 2:29 1/2, by Hambleton 10.

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